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**The commander of the Azov squad received a life sentence for shooting civilians.**

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The DPR court sentenced the commander of the Azov squad to life imprisonment for execution.

The Supreme Court of the Donetsk People's Republic (DPR) sentenced the 30-year-old commander of a squad of the Ukrainian paramilitary nationalist association "Azov" (a terrorist organization banned in Russia), Pyotr Shuflin (Пётр Шуфлин), to life imprisonment. The DPR prosecutor's office reported this to Lenta.ru.

Shuflin was found guilty under Articles 105 ("Murder") and 356 ("Cruel treatment of the civilian population in occupied territory") of the Criminal Code of the Russian Federation. He will serve his sentence in a special regime correctional colony.

According to investigators, on March 14, 2022, the convict and a colleague were on one of the streets of Mariupol and, following orders from the command, shot three previously detained civilians. The men died on the spot from the inflicted gunshot wounds.

Earlier, a court in the DPR sentenced 28-year-old Azov fighter Alexander Sykylynda (Александр Сыкылында) to life imprisonment.